Weed of The Week

Fragrant Flat Sedge (Cyperus odoratus)

If you have wet soils, you might have this week's weed of the week on your land. This grass like sedge is an annual that prefers wet and swampy soils. Fragrant Flat Sedge can also be found growing in wet areas of pastures, along ponds and natural wetlands. This plant reproduces primarily by seed and can reach heights of 3 ft tall. Fragrant Flat Sedge can become very prevalent in wet areas crowing out other desirable species of forages. The leaves of this plant are long slender and creates clusters of flowers reddish in color when it matures. The fruit of the flower is flat and long, flowering and reproduction will take place late June through August. Controlling this weed can be best done by having proper drainage. If Fragrant Flat Sedge becomes an issue around your pond, hand removal can be done or mechanical removal. Aquatic herbicides can also be used such as Aquaneat, Auguamaster, Eraser AQ, and glyphosate.







